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KISAN VIKAS PARISHAD
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to set up Kisan Vikas Parishad so as to resolve the problems of farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a)to(c): Presently, there is no proposal to set up Kisan Vikas Parishad under consideration of the Ministry of Agriculture.However,in Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Support to State Extension programmes for Extension Reforms",Commodity oriented Farmer Interest Groups (FIGs) are promoted at block/village level to make the technology generation/dissemination farmer driven.These village level FIGs may be federated at block/district level.In order to address the extension needs of these groups, the Scheme envisages ATMA's close linkages with various players operating at cutting edge level viz. public, private, NGOs, para extension workers,input dealers,etc.